Issue of import licences to IDPL

1669. SHRI DHARANIDHAR BASUMATARI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of import licences issued to IDPL for import of bulk drugs, drug intermediates, capital goods, spare parts, etc. during the last two years, yearwise;

(b) whether his Miinstry imposed any condition on any import licence; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Particulars of import licences are published in the "Weekly Bulletin of Import Licences, Export Licences and Industrial Licences", copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(b) and (c) Import licences are issued subject to the provisions of Import & Export Policy, Hand Book of Procedures and conditions as prescribed in Clause 5 of the Imports (Control) Order, 1955(No. 17/55) dated 7th December, 1955, as amended from time to time, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Import of Penicillin G and Penicillin V.

1670. SHRI B SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that import of Penicillin G and Penicillin V is allowed after lifting indigenous quantity in prescribed ratio;

(b) if so, what are the names of the companies to which import licences have been issued during the last two years, year-wise;

(c) what was the indigenous quantity lifted by each against which each licence was issued; and

(d) what is the CIF price at which each import was made by each company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Import of Penicillin G and Penicillin V is allowed against Supplementary Licences granted by the Chief Controller of Import & Exports. Supplementary licences for import of Penicillin G are granted on the basis of lifting of the indigenous material in the prescribed ratio. The current ratio is 70 (imported) : 30 (indigenous). Import of Penicillin V is allowed in cases where the unit cannot use Penicillin G, the alternate raw materials.

(b) Details of import licences granted are published in the "Weekly Bulletin of Import Licences, Export Licences, and Industrial Licences", copies of which are available in Parliament Library.

(c) and (d) Statistical data about the quantity of indigenous material lifted and the C.I.F. price of import is not being compiled.

News-item captioned "Policy anomalies upset manufacturers"

1671. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the 'Financial Express' of the 12th August, 1988, under the caption "Policy anomalies upset manufacturers";

(b) whether it is a fact that there are irregularities in the import of potassium Penicillin V by producers of 6—APA;

(c) if so, what is Government's policy in this regard;